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SUBJECT: ITALIAN GOVERNMENT,S DECORATIONS FOR U.S. NAVAL
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1. ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SOME TIME AGO MADE KNOWN ITS DESIRE
TO AWARD DECORATIONS TO FOUR U.S. NAVAL PERSONNEL WHO RESCUED
THREE INJURED CREW MEMBERS OF THE ITALIAN TANKER, AUGUST,
WEST OF KENITRA, MOROCCO LAST FEBRUARY. ITALIAN EMBASSY IN
WASHINGTON REQUESTED DEPARTMENT,S PERMISSION TO AWARD THESE
DECORATIONS. IN A NOTE DATED JUNE 20, 1974, DEPARTMENT
INFORMED ITALIAN EMBASSY THAT IT APPROVED AWARDS FOR TWO OF
THE FOUR BUT THAT IT WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THE OTHER TWO AS
BEING MEMBERS OF U.S. ARMED FORCES.

2. NAME OF ONE OF THE UNIDENTIFIABLE MEN. LTJG WALTER E.
WILLIAMSON, WAS INCORRECTLY SPELLED AS WILLIAMS
IN ITALIAN EMBASSY'S NOTE. WILLIAMSON, ACCORDING TO U.S.
NAVAL STATION, ROTA, SPAIN, IS NOW ASSIGNED TO USS GUAM(LPH-9)
NAME OF SECOND UNIDENTIFIABLE, ADJC JAMES J. NEUGENTS, WAS
CORRECTLY PRESENTED IN ITALIAN EMBASSY'S NOTE. NEUGENTS IS
CURRENTLY SERVING AT U.S. NAVAL STATION, ROTA.

3. WE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION IN PARAGRAPH TWO ABOVE TO
ITALIAN EMBASSY WHICH WILL TRANSMIT IT TO ITALIAN EMBASSY IN
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WASHINGTON. ITALIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WILL, AS DEPARTMENT

SUGGESTED, IN ITS NOTE, RE-SUBMIT REQUEST. IN THE INTEREST OF
EXPEDITING THE CASE, WE REQUEST DEPARTMENT CABLE US ITS
DECISION AS TO WHETHER WILLIAMSON AND NEUGENTS MAY RECEIVE
AWARDS.NEUMANN

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